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# "MUTUAL'S" A SPLENDID

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J.T. Wilson to Build City's

# CONTRACT AWARDED

The Work to Begin Next Week. To Cost Six Hundred

### "ZIMMERMANN" HOTEL

Given Out February 6th. Bids for New Second Baptist Church Opened February 12th.

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And now for the "Zimmermann!" The hotel by that name 15-ta be erected at the northeast corner of Seventh and Broad at once. The plans for the structure are already in the city and the contractors are at work on them. Messrs. Wright, Blair & Co., of Washington, are the architects, and they have designed a hundsome structure, eight stories high, to cost not less than \$250,000. The bids will be opened in this city February 6th, and the contract then awarded.

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WHOLE NUMBER 16,456.

# STRUCTURE

Second Skyscraper.

# LATE YESTERDAY

Thousand.

## IS NOW ASSURED

Plans in the Hands of Richmond Builders-The Contract to be

The contract for the Mutual Assurance Society's splendid office building at the southeast corner of Ninth and Main Streets was late last evening awarded to Mr. John T. Wilson, of this city.

Colonel William H. Palmer, president, said last night that the cost of the structure would be approximately \$600,090. The work is to begin February ist, and Contractor Wilson is under agreement to give the completed structure over to its owners within fifteen months, or by May 1, 1905. The building is to be nine stories high above Main Street, ten stories above the alley in the rear, and a basement and sub-basement below the Main Street will be 165 feet and the depth to the alley wike be 152 feet. Virginia grantic, terra cotts, Indiana limesione and gray brick will be the chief material employed.

The new structure will tower one story nbove the first skyscraper of the city, the American Bank building, now in course of erection, and will be the high-cest edifice in the South, save such skyscrapers as Allanta has to offer. The cost will exceed by several hundred thousands that of any other structure ever erected in Richmond, save the City Hall and the Jefferson Hotel.

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The plans for the "Mutual Building," as it is certain to be called, were prepared by Messrs, Clinton and Russell, of New York city. Bids for its erection were submitted by several of the leading contractors of Richmond and other prominent builders of New York, Philadelphia and other large Northern cities. These bids were opened on Friday of last week, and adjourned sessions of the board of directors of the Mutual were beld daily until the decision last night.

About the middle of the past week it was learned that all offers had been thrown aside save those of Mr. Wilson and the Fidewater Construction Company of New York. Then came the battle royal between Richmond and Northern enterprise, and the friends of both. Thursday the representative of the New York firm received such information as led him to leave the city, giving up all hope. Since that time the board has been working diligently in getting the details arranged for the final step which placed the stupendous task in the hands of the enterprising Richmond builder.

Spiendidly Built.

# The base of the structure will be of Virginia granile to the first floor. Above this, on the Main and Ninth Streets sides, Indiana limestone and terra cotta will be employed, and in the rear and on the east side gray brick will be used. There are to be four passenger elevators, and a fifth for freight. The entire building

fifth for freight. The entire building is to be completely fireproof. The offices is to be completely fireproof. The offices will be large, connected or partitioned, as may be desired, and will have every modern appointment and convenience.

The "Mutual" will occupy the first floor. The City Bank, of which Colonel Palmer is president, will rotain its present location, as it owns its own home. But already many have spoken for office space, and the location and appointments will insure a great demand for floor space.

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The new building will occupy the sites of the buildings recently or at present tenanted by the B. F. Johnson Company, ienanted by the B. F. Johnson Company, S. Galeski Opifeal Company, W. S. Constable and Company and Henry Schnurman. The Johnson Company are going to the building formerly occupied by Drewry, Hughes and Company, Eleventh and Cary; the Galeski Company has already moved into the new Whitlock estate building at Eighth and Main; Constable and Company will go to the store new occupied by Mr. John M. Notling, and Mr. Schaurman will find comfortable quarters. The tearing down of the vacated structures will begin inside of ten days.

"Zimmermann" Next.

The Mutual Society is one of the oldest

Hon. Robert W. Blair Thinks He Will be the Next Repub-

> "Judge L. L. Lewis, of Richmond, now United States attorney, will, in my opinion, be the next Republican nominee for Governor," said Mr. Robert W. Blair,

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The structure will add greatly to the appearance of Broad Street, and will have the effect of increasing the value of property on the north side of the thoroughfare.

This will make the third big hotel structure built between Seventh and

RICHMOND, VA., SUNDAY, JANUARY 24, 1904.



# DESIGN OF THE MUTUAL OFFICE BUILDING, TO BE ERECTED AT NINTH AND MAIN STREETS.

Ninth Streets very recently crected. With the new Richmond, almost ready for occupancy; the nnex to Murphy's, brand new and towering; the Zimmermann, fire-proof and up-to-date in every particular, and the renovated Powhatan, a few blocks below, the benighted traveler in this part of the city will easily find uxurious accommodations.

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The new Second Baptist Church is to be erected this spring and summer. It has been decided that the bids for the work shall be opened by the Building Committee of the church and the

Committee of the church and the architects, Messrs. Noland and Basker-ville, February 12th.

Nearly all of the leading contractors of the city will submit prices for the work. The church will cost close to \$75,000, and rank with the handsomest in the city. If the work on the new edifice, which will be located at the southeast corner of Franklin and Adams Streets, begins March 1st, when the congregation assembles for the opening of the fall work it will probably enter the new church and new surroundings. Dr. Palmer is at present occupying the house on the church lot, but the contract with him is such that possession can be gotten within thirty days.

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Richmond was never in the midst of such building activity as at present, and the character of the structures going up or contemplated are many years in advance of the present buildings of the city. What a proud list is this: Murphy's Annex, seven stories, completed; the Richmond Hotel, eight stories, nearly completed; American Bank building, eight stories, frame work being rapidly put together; the Mutual, nine and ten stories, contract let; Zimmermann Hotel, eight stories, contract to be let February 5th, Second Baptist Church, contract to be let February 5th, Second Baptist Church, contract to be let February 5th, The total cost of these structures is close to a million and a half dollars. Expend Million and Half.

### JUDGE LEWIS FOR GOVERNOR

lican Nominee.

Game Warden Weatherby Finds Plenty of Game in Baggage Room.

### PARTRIDGES PUT IN TRUNK

Latter Checked as Baggage, But Dog's Keen Scent Discovered the Trick.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) GREENSBORO, N. C., Jan, 23,-E. F. Eller, a produce dealer, who was arrested here yesterday on warrant from Raleigh, charging him with legally attempting to ship four hundred and fifty par-trides out of North Carolina, is believed by Game Warden Weatherly to have been engaged in this business for a number of months past. It is known that he has received large numbers of partridges through the express offices in various parts of the State, and that he bought them in great numbers on the local mar-ket, while it was a generally understood thing that no birds were for sale at his

place of business.

Last night Warden Weatherly made a seizure of two hundred and sixty partridges which were being shipped to Washington. In this case the birds were Washington. In this case the birds were most ingeniously hidden away, they having been packed in a trunk and the trunk checked as baggage, but this did not save the shipment from the keen eyes of the warden, who came out of the baggage room smiling, saying that his dog said that there were birds in a trunk in there. He immediately procured a search warrant to examine that particular trunk, and when it was opened it was found to contain nothing but partridges. They were sold at auction at the courthouse this morning and brought \$26.10.

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### MARYLAND WANTS A "JIM CROW" LAW

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

ANNAPOLIS, MD., Jan. 23.—The Pennsylvania and other railroads wil vigorously fight a general "Jim Crow" law for this State. Such a bill is now on file, though another has been introduced to apply only to eight counties of the Eastern Shore. Ceell county is omitted because the main line of the Pennsylvania runs through that county, and it was believed that it would be difficult to passit against the opposition of the Pennsylvania.

As to the other railroads on the Eastern (Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

Shore, all of them but one are branch lines of the Pennsylvania. The cars are mainly arranged for a division of ruces, as they run between Maryland and Vir-ginia, which latter State has a general

### BANK RUN CAUSED BY PANICKY GIRLS

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
TROY, N. Y., Jan. 23.—There was a run
this morning on the Manufacturers' National Bank, of Mechanicsville, when a
number of girls employed in the Union
Knitting Mill, withdrew their accounts.
This afternoon the run continued, but
the withdrawals were only about \$10,000.
President William J. Howland and Cashier Newton T. Bryan stated that the run
was absurd. The run may have started from the fact that a small amount was recently lost in a Stillwater mill transaction, but only about \$12,000 was involved in the deal, and the claim was sold for nearly the face value.

### A GOTHAM "CABBY" **GUEST OF SOCIETY**

Introduced as Lark at Fashionable Studio Party and Wanted to Stay.

They were talking at one of the fash-They were talking at one of the fashlenable clubs yesterday of some recent
events and incidents in the social world,
says the New York Herald. Some one,
after a pause, said: "Did you hear of
that clever fancy dress party the Misses
Emmet, of New Rochelle and New York,
guve in their studie down on old Washington Square a few nights since? No,
I bet you didn't. Keep it quiet, but it
was the cleverest thing of the kind ever
given in New York, and they tell me
they give something like it every winter."

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"Tell us about it," said the crowd,

"Well, you know," was the reply. "The
three Misses Emmet are all artists and
deuced clever painters, too, and they
draw around them lots of artistic and
clever people. The three sisters and
their cousins arranged this affair weeks
before it came off, and every one who
was invited had to go in fancy dress
and do a "stunt." The costumes were
a great success, and the fun, prearranged or impromptu, aroused roars of
laughter.

"After all the guests had arrived Wilfrid yon Glehn, the English artist, who
lis engaged to Miss Jane Emmet, and
Miss Susan Metcalfe, the singer, acted a
little Japanese tragedy, that was simply
immense.

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"One of the funniest things was Cyrli Hatch, bringing in his cabby' and running him through the rooms. No one thought it extraordinary, as they thought he was one of the guests disguised as a cabble, and declared the disguise capital When Hatch tried to get rid of him, however, the 'cabble,' who had meanwhile something to drink and was enjoying himself hugely, didn't want to go, and Hatch had to tip him well to induce him to leave and get back to his seat on the hansom."

Mr. Bridgforth Offers Bill for Arbitrating Differences Between Landlord and Tenant.

### APPLIES ONLY TO FARMERS

Board Composed of Two Justices and Three Disinterested Freeholders From Another District.

Mr. Bridgforth, of Mecklenburg, who is a prominent farmer, a member of the Agricultural Committee of the House, offered on yesterday a bill which is of sweeping public interest, especially to the people in the rural sections of the State. The bill provides for the selection of a board of arbitration, to be composed of two justices of the peace and three disincrested freeholders from another magisterial district, to determine disputes that shall arise between landlord and tenant over the division of crops grown on rented land, the landlord and tenant each to select one justice, and the latter to select the freeholders. This board, composed of five, shall hear and determine the cause, and their action shall be final. They shall receive for their services \$1 per day each to be paid equally by the parties in con troversy.

The full text of the bill is as follows:

I' Be its emacted by the General Assembly of Virginia, That whenever a land-lord and tenant cannot agree upon a division of crops grown upon the rented premises, the landlord and tenant shall each select a justice of the peace in the district wherein they reside, and the said to, shall summon forthwith three district, which said freeholders from another district, which said freeholders, when so summoned, shall constitute a board of arbitration; and they shall, when so summoned, meet forthwith in some convenient place in the magisterial district wherein the parties in controversy reside, and hear testimony and make award and settlement between the parties in controversy, and their award thus made shall be final, without the right to appeal; and should either heardlord or tenant refuse or fail to select a justice of the peace, commanding the parties to appear before said arbitration board, and should either party fail to appear, then judgment shall be rendered against him by default.

2. The said arbitrators shall each recive for their services the sum of one dollar per day, and the said justices shall

to be paid equally by the parties in con-troversy.

### REACHING OUT FOR SECRETARY ROOT

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

NEW YORK, Jan. 23,-Secretary of War Root has a likely chance of being the Republican candidate for Governor next fall, A prominent Republican politician, who is one of Senator Platt's warmest supporters, said to-day he thought that if President Roosevelt appreciated the real conditions in the State, he would do all in his power to have his former Secretary of War named as the Republican nominee for Governor. The President's own political salvation, at least so far as New York was concerned, the senator said, depended upon the nomination of Mr. Root, or some man who would cut equally as large a figure in the contest. No second-rate man, he said, could bring success to the party in the State this year, unless the Democrate three ways. year, unless the Democrats threw away the opportunity which was now before

### NO ELECTION YET ... IN MARYLAND

(By Associated Press.)

ANNAPOLIS, MD., Jan. 23.-In a joint ssion of the Maryland Legislature another ballot for United States senator was other ballot for United States senator was taken to-day, with the following result: Democrats—Isidor Rayner, 34; John Wal-ter Smith, 39; Bernard Carter, 11; E. E. Jackson, 5; Joshua Miles, 4, Republican— Louis E. McComas, 34; Sixty-three votes are necessary to a choice. Balloting will be resumed on Monda next.

# AN ELOPEMENT

# DANIEL'S PLEA FOR HIS BILL

Creates a Secretary Virginia Military Records.

### **EARLY ACTION** WARMLY URGED

Points Out Necessity on Ground That State Should Have Cor-, rect Muster Rolls.

### CAN FIND MANY LOST RECORDS

Senator Believes That New Officer Could Bring the Records to an Almost Complete Point, and Would Insure Proper Publication by

the War Department.

Senator John W. Daniel, chairman of he History Committee of the Grand Camp, Confederate Veterans of Virginia, who, with Grand Commander George L. Christian, drew the measure recently Hon. T. D. Jennings, of Lynchburg, pro-viding for the appointment of a "Secreof Virginia Military Records," has written an interesting letter to a friend in the Legislature, which is printed in full below, setting out at some length th earnestly urging the passage of the bill one from State Librarian John Pendleton Kennedy to the senator, in which he notes

the enclosure of a list of the Confederate muster rolls contained in the Jibrary. Senator Daniel urges that the bill be passed in the Legislature, and points out that unless immediate action is taken the opportunity to have Virginia soldlers properly upon the muster rolls to be pre-

senator thinks that the propose The sonator thinks that the proposed, new officer may discover the names of a great many Virginia soldiers which will otherwise be lost to the record, and he expresses the belief that in the archives of the Capitol and elsewhere may be found, if proper search is made, many valuable papers on this line.

DANIEL'S LETTER,

The letter of Senator Daniel, which is thoroughly explanatory of the bill, and which is a splendld summing up of the reasons for its passage, is in full as follows:

which is a spicial with the spicial was passed with General Verans of the General Verans of the Record and Pension Division are moderate verans and came of Confectary of Virginia Military Records. His duty will be to collect the muster rolls, records and other materials of Virginia's Confederate history. The necessity for this move presses. If not immediately undertaken, opportunity departs. The bill was prepared by meatter consultation with Judge George L. Christian, commander of the Grand Campof Confederate Veterans of Virginia. He proposed several valuable amendments, which are embodied, and heartly approves the scheme. I have conversed with General F. C. Ainsworth, chief of the Record and Pension Division of the War Department, here, General William Nalle, Adjutant-General of Virginia; John Pendiston Kennedy, Librarian of the State, and many ex-Confederate soldiers. The mensure submitted is the outcome of such reflections as the information observed. such reflections as the infor

The measure submitted is the outcome was such reflections as the information obtained suggested.

Having been myself appointed by Judge Christian, commander of the Grand Camp, to the chairmanship of the History Committee, I feel that it would not be obtrusive in me to uval the passage of this bill by the General Assembly; and I hope it may commend itself to your judgment and that of your colleagues.

You will observe that it has been deemed proper to propose to confer on the commander of the Grand Camp of Confederate Veterans of Virginia the power of recommendation as to the secretary who is to be appointed by the Governor. Such deference by the General Assembly to the ex-Confederate brother-hood would be warmly appreciated by every one of them. It is the history of their comrares that is sought to be saved, and fitting that they themselves be so respected. Judge Christian, their closer commander, is a mained soldier.

every one of them. It is the history of their comraires that is sought to be saved, and fitting that they themselves be so respected. Judge Christian, their chosen commander, is a maimed soldier, distinguished by fairness, intelligence and learning; and is, as well, a patriot and a scholar, whose contributions in vindication of Virginia and Confederate history have brought him just fame. He is in constant touch with his comrades; he is practiced in research; is familiar with existing conditions; and no man in the State has a more unselfish or a more worthy interest in this matter. All the elements of suitability combine in him.

LOSS OF RECORDS.

Now, as to the necessity for prompt action: First, The office of Adjutant-General Richardson, of Virginia, was burned when Richmonid fell in 1825. Our State military records for the most part perished. Not a scrap of the history of the "Provisional Army of Virginia," which lasted in 1841 until after the first battle of Manassas, have I been able to discover. Neither Virginia or the United States possesses a single copy of General Richardson's reports, which me doubt were printed. Examination of Il-braries of other Southern States, and search amongst the books of our own citizens might discover copies, which would be invaluable. General James In Kemper, after being disabled for regular service at Gettysburg, commanded thirteen thousand Virginia reserves. This is proved by the United States war recordal but we are not credited with them in historical works and estimates. Comparisons are made against us. We should endeavor to find such rolls of these troops as may be in the hands of surviving officers and soldiers. Some of our

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